

Union Calendar No. 2

105TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. J. RES. 2

[Report No. 105–2]

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States with respect to the number of terms of office of Members of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 7, 1997

Mr. MCCOLLUM (for himself, Mrs. FOWLER, Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. GINGRICH, Mr. ARMEY, Ms. DUNN, Mr. COX of California, Mr. LINDER, Mr. HANSEN, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. BARCIA, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. BASS, Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. BONILLA, Mr. BRYANT, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. BUYER, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. CAMP, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COBLE, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. COOK, Mr. CRANE, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. DICKEY, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. EHLERS, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. EVERETT, Mr. EWING, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. FORBES, Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. GANSKE, Mr. GEKAS, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. GOODLING, Mr. GOSS, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. GUTKNECHT, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. HOBSON, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. HORN, Mr. HOUGHTON, Mr. HULSHOF, Mr. ISTOOK, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. KLUG, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. LARGENT, Mr. LATHAM, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. LAZIO of New York, Mr. LEACH, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. LUCAS of Oklahoma, Mr. MCINNIS, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. METCALF, Mr. MICA, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. NEUMANN, Mr. NEY, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. PACKARD, Mr. PAXON, Mr. PEASE, Mr. PITTS, Mr. POMBO, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. QUINN, Mr. RADANOVICH, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. RIGGS, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. DAN SCHAEFER of Colorado, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. SHAW, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. SMITH of Michigan,

Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. SNOWBARGER, Mr. SOL-
OMON, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. STUMP, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. TAL-
ENT, Mr. TAUZIN, Mr. THORNBERRY, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TIAHRT, Mr.
UPTON, Mr. WAMP, Mr. WATKINS, Mr. WELLER, Mr. WHITE, Mr.
WHITFIELD, and Mr. MINGE) introduced the following joint resolution;
which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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Additional sponsors: Mr. McCREERY, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. CAMP-
BELL, Mr. KIM, Mr. NUSSLE, Mr. JONES, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Ms.
GRANGER, Mr. CANNON, and Mr. CANADY of Florida

Deleted sponsor: Mr. THUNE (added January 7, 1997; deleted February 4,
1997)

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Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union
and ordered to be printed

JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United
States with respect to the number of terms of office
of Members of the Senate and the House of Representa-
tives.

1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled*
3 *(two-thirds of each House concurring therein), That the fol-*
4 *lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-*
5 *stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all*
6 *intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when*
7 *ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several*
8 *States within seven years after the date of its submission*
9 *for ratification:*

1 “ARTICLE —

2 “SECTION 1. No person who has been elected for a
3 full term to the Senate two times shall be eligible for elec-
4 tion or appointment to the Senate. No person who has
5 been elected for a full term to the House of Representa-
6 tives six times shall be eligible for election to the House
7 of Representatives.

8 “SECTION 2. No person who has served as a Senator
9 for more than three years of a term to which some other
10 person was elected shall subsequently be eligible for elec-
11 tion to the Senate more than once. No person who has
12 served as a Representative for more than one year shall
13 subsequently be eligible for election to the House of Rep-
14 resentatives more than five times.

15 “SECTION 3. This article shall be inoperative unless
16 it shall have been ratified by the legislatures of three-
17 fourths of the several States within seven years from the
18 date of its submission to the States by the Congress.

19 “SECTION 4. No election or service occurring before
20 this article becomes operative shall be taken into account
21 when determining eligibility for election under this
22 article.”.

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